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Top Honor Students Take Long Look at Themselves

(The valedictorian and salutatorian of the June '63 class are both members of the Pilot staff. Each has decided to interview herself, not because they are schizophrenic, but because they thought it would be interesting to look at themselves objectively.)

By Janet Yellen

I entered the den quietly. A small figure sat bent over a desk strewn haphazardly with books and pencils. In a metal wastebasket and on the floor lay crushed balls of carelessly discarded paper. Janet Yellen, this year's valedictorian, was preparing her graduation speech.

"I'm editor of the *Pilot*," I said, "and I've . . ."

"Just a minute," said Janet abruptly, "I'm thinking."

I glanced around the room. A bulletin board was plastered with awards and certificates. Its too dishevelled appearance indicated that great pains had been taken to achieve such "perfect sloppiness." "National Merit Commendation, Regents Scholarship, Mayor's Citation for Outstanding Scholastic Achievement.

To this *Pilot* reporter and *Anchor* copy editor, writing and reading are important activities. "I enjoy novels written about twentieth century life most." Tennyson is her favorite poet.

"I would like to learn more about the mass media—radio, television, theater, publications—including experimental methods in each," Lois continued.

Loves Being Active

A girl "who loves being active," Lois has participated in Boosters, Trinity Club and library work. Bowling and playing "at" tennis are her favorite sports.

This senior is also a music enthusiast. Bach is her favorite classical composer, but she also enjoys folk music and jazz. Her grandfather played and sang in "The South Brooklyn Minstrels" when Bay Ridge was "a mere wilderness." Lois belongs to the Girls Chorus and has sung in the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church chorus for ten years.

Has German Pen-Pal

"You can't imagine all I've learned and the understanding I've gained through a friendship with a German

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PTA Card Party Is Huge Success

The annual PTA card party, held May 3, was heavily attended by the parents of Fort Hamilton students.

"We attribute the success of our card party," said Mrs. Sidney Bergstein, co-chairman of the committee, "to the cooperation of the parents, students and teachers. We sincerely thank them for their generous contributions and support."

"This is truly an example of the home and the school working together for the good of youth."

A Wide Traveler

Around the room were some arresting wood figures. "Where does that carved mask come from?" I ventured.

"That's from Haiti. I visited the

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Newspaper Takes 14th First in CSPA

The *Pilot* achieved its eighth consecutive award in the First Place category in the nationwide Columbia Scholastic Press Association Contest held in March. This is the fourteenth such award the *Pilot* has received since it began publication in 1941.

Contest entries are judged on the basis of content, writing and editing, make-up, and general considerations.

This year's editorial board consists of Janet Yellen, editor in chief; Mary Azzara, news and advertising; Charles Saydah, circulation; Howard Schneider, sports; and Tom Weber, photography.

Next year's editorial board will consist of Jan Klein, make-up; JoAnne Russo, news and advertising; Arthur Di Mattia and James Macarevey, circulation; and Bob Breuer, sports.

Books Had Something to Do With It



Tom Weber

Janet Yellen, valedictorian, and Lois Leewe, salutatorian, prove that "reading maketh a full man." Janet and Lois have the highest averages in the senior class.

Eleven Seniors Winners Of Various Scholarships

By JoAnne Russo

To date, eleven seniors have been awarded private scholarships, in addition to the 35 Regents Scholarship winners announced in February.

Margaret Burfeind, 4B2, received a Wagner College Scholarship for \$500. Florence Capaldo, also of 4B2, was granted a \$500 scholarship to Muhlenberg College, a work grant of \$160 per semester, and up to \$500 under the provisions of the National Defense Student Loan.

Nicholas Limer, 4B4, won a \$500 scholarship from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn; while Kenneth Hansen, 4A7, received a \$350 scholarship to the same institution.

Lees, Calsada Winners

Henry Lees, 4A5, received a \$300 scholarship to Stevens Institute of Technology; while Ramona Calsada, 4A11, won a \$300 scholarship to the Fashion Institute of Technology.

Arno Minkkinen, 4B6, was awarded a \$500 scholarship to Wagner College. Richard Brown, 4B6, won a \$1,400 scholarship to Columbia School of Engineering, along with a job in the college cafeteria worth \$400.

Janice Kretschmann, 4B10, has been awarded a substantial scholarship by the Scholarship Committee of the School of Education, New York University. It is worth \$1,400 a year.

\$1,350 for Long Island U.

Lorraine Gagliardi, 4B14, received a full scholarship to Long Island University amounting to \$1,350. It

covers all her tuition, provided that she maintains a B average. Susan Stover, 4B14, won a Julia Van Derssen Scholarship to Dickinson College in the amount of \$1,000 a year.

Said Mrs. Mary Catania, college coordinator, "Fort Hamilton has done very well, considering the high admission standards and keen competition that our present senior class is facing.

"All these scholarships are renewable," she added. "By the end of June we expect additional winners."

Student Body Elects G.O. Slate

After an exciting and tense campaign, the student body elected a slate of G.O. officers for 1963-64.

The following were successful on May 17: William Haendler, 3B4, president; Ingrid Bekkelund, 3B16, vice president; Nancy Bengtson, 3B12, secretary; and Kathy James, 3B6, treasurer.

Immediately after his election to the presidency grateful Bill had this to say: "I would like to thank all those who, by their votes, placed their confidence in me. Their support was inspiring, and I will show my appreciation by doing everything in my power for the welfare of all Fort Hamiltonites."

Regents Examination Schedule

| TIME | Friday June 14 | Monday June 17 | Tuesday June 18 | Wednesday June 19 | Thursday June 20 |
|---------------|----------------|--|---|---|----------------------|
| 8:45 to 12:15 | | English 4 Years | Amer. Hist. and World Back-grounds III | Biology Chemistry Comb. Short-hand, Typing, and Trans. | Mechanical Drawing 1 |
| 12:45 to 4:15 | 9 Yr. Math. | Int. Algebra 10 Yr. Math. 11 Yr. Math. | Latin—2 yrs. French—3 yrs. Spanish—3 yrs. Major Art 3 Bookkeeping 2 | Physics Mechanical Drawing 2 Merchandise and Sales 2 yrs. | |

Graduation At B'klyn College Thurs., June 27

By Karen Winther

Commencement exercises for the class of 1963 will be held at Whitman Hall, Brooklyn College, Thursday, June 27, from 1 to 3 P.M. The air-cooled Walt Whitman auditorium seats about 2,500 people.

Approximately 600 students will be graduated at the exercises. The seniors will attend a brief rehearsal at twelve noon, an hour before commencement. They will be dressed in the traditional gowns—the girls in white, the boys in blue.

Salutatory and Valedictory

The salutatory (welcome address) will be delivered by Lois Leewe, 4A13, while the valedictory (farewell address) will be given by Janet Yellen, 4B8. These two girls have achieved the highest averages in the graduation class.

Mr. Jon B. Leder, principal, will address the graduates. On stage will be Mr. James L. Quigley and Mr. Morton G. Stone, administrative assistants; Mrs. Concetta Bonom and Mr. Isaac W. Feinberg, senior guidance counselors; Mrs. Mary Catania, college coordinator; Miss Ethelreda Furlong, senior social adviser; Mr. Carl Swalling, president of the Parent Teacher Association; winners of awards, and a representative of each official class.

To Receive Awards

Outstanding graduates will be the recipients of such awards as the Parent Teacher Association Awards, the Cooperation in Government Awards, the Agustus Ludwig Awards, and the Daughters of the American Revolution Award. There will also be awards granted in each subject area.

The Mixed Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Herbert Lessell, chairman of the Music Department, will sing a spiritual, "Listen to the Lambs," and "Hallelujah Amen" from *Judas Maccabaeus*.

Music teacher Mr. Gerald Heffron will direct the band in several selections during the exercises and also the recessional, to which the graduates will take their leave.

Juniors Vote In 1963-64 Officers

Tuesday, May 14, was an important day for nine juniors, for on that day their fellow classmates elected them Senior Class officers for the term beginning September 1963.

Frank Gallinaro, 3A3, was elected president; Laila Lorch, 3B6, vice president; Alice Hansen, 3B4, and Veronica Nobile, 3B18, secretaries.

The five treasurers elected were Jocelyn Franz, 3B12; Wilma Goetz, 3B4; Susan Nadel, 3B18; Susan Marcus, 3B6; and Vivian Springer, 3F21.

Candidates for Senior Class office must be in good standing in their class and must also be recommended by their grade advisers. The Senior Class Officers and Council constitute the governing body of the Senior Class. They execute various activities for the Senior Class with the approval of the faculty adviser, Miss Ethelreda Furlong.

And After It's Over?

Our days are numbered. Yes, seniors, we have only a handful of school days left.

For some, graduation will mark the end of their formal education; for others, it will be a step to more. But whichever road we plan to take, it is our entrance into the adult world—a world in which we must find our aims, our goals, ourselves.

Thus far we have been conveniently led by the hand and guided through difficulties and hardships. Our parents and teachers have diligently tried to help us along life's path. Soon, with graduation, our future will depend largely on how we avail ourselves of the opportunities about us.

Opportunity is a word which means different things to many people. It has been called a fleeting chance, a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence. Actually, opportunities are made, not born. For it is the resourceful and persistent person who can create his own if he believes in himself and his capabilities.

The circumstances that some people overlook appear to others as great opportunities. It is the ability to foresee an opportunity that eventually enables us to lead a fuller, more meaningful life.

Some years ago George Bernard Shaw said, "The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want; and, if they can't find them, they make them."

It was true when Shaw said it; it is just as true today.

Stop! Look! Listen!

Don't just sit there! Do something! See Shakespeare in Central Park, visit Chinatown, attend a jazz concert at the Museum of Modern Art, take a walking tour of Manhattan or go horseback riding in Staten Island, but do something!

Open your eyes! You may have 20/20 vision, but that doesn't mean that you are able to see. Look at the trees blowing in the wind, waves splashing against a rocky coast, the sunset, the silhouette of the Verrazano bridge on a moonlit night, the faces of people on a subway, a child playing in a wading pool, or the bold, modern forms of New York's skyscrapers, but look at something!

Be curious! Wonder why the sky is blue, what fire is, why peace-loving nations feud, how earthquakes occur, if there is life on other planets, or even if you have free will, but wonder about something!

Don't be indifferent! The ability to stop, look and listen is an art that must be cultivated, but it is this interest in the outside world that is a most important source of happiness.

Don't let your epitaph be: "Where did you go?" "Out!" "What did you do?" "Nothing!"

Reporter Develops Picture Of Ace Pilot Shutterbug

By Jan Klein

Tom Weber, photography editor of the *Pilot*, develops his own pictures, but in this article your reporter is going to try to develop a picture of the person behind the camera.

Asked about his duties, Tom said with a modest smile, "All I do is coordinate pictures with the articles reporters write." Actually this senior is in charge of the four photography clubs and is responsible for the pictures that liven up the pages of the school newspaper.

"A friend introduced me to the world of photography," he said. "We met the faculty adviser of the Photography Club at Rumson Fair Haven Regional High School, who encouraged me to experiment with a few pictures."

Has a Dark-Room

Now Tom has his own dark-room and photography equipment and devotes many hours after school to earning his frequent byline.

Does he plan a career in photography? "Not at all. I want to major in business at St. John's University or Brooklyn College for a career in Industrial Relations." Tom has a Regents Incentive Scholarship to aid him in his college education.

An interested traveler, this senior has attended three schools in the

course of his high school career. His father is an Army major whose various assignments have enabled his son to visit most of the states in the Union. Tom has even been in Germany and France.

This senior's other current interests are folk singing, rock-and-roll, his own car, football, basketball and bowling.

Excels in Bowling

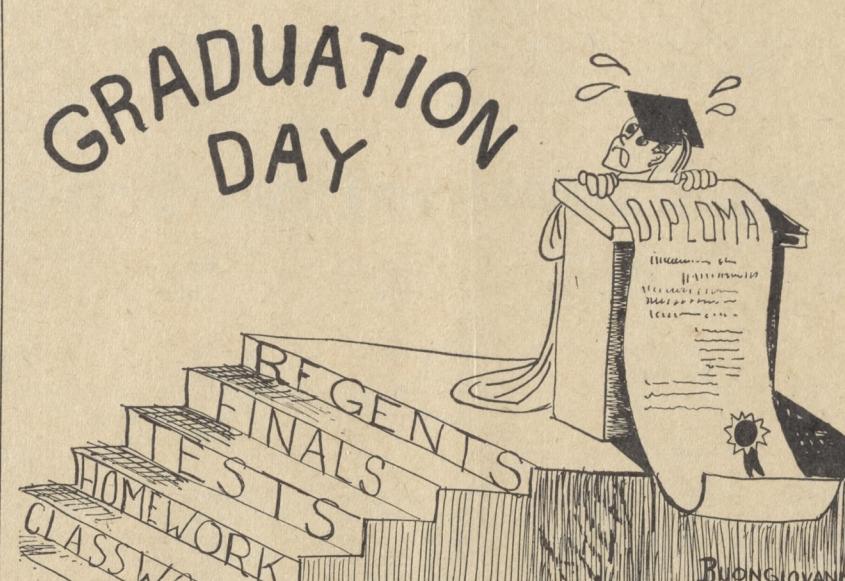
At the Fort Hamilton Army Post he is a member of the Teenage and Mixed League bowling teams. In school he is an active member of the Intramural League and co-captain of the varsity bowling team.

Some of his greatest bowling accomplishments occurred in tournaments in the American Junior Bowling Congress. In one evening Tom won a trophy for a game "over 250," (264) and a patch proclaiming his high score—"over 600 in a series of three games."

Tom's photography and bowling skills reflect his over-all capabilities. Remember, the blond senior who may have stopped you in the halls with a startling "Hold it, you're on candid camera!" may have been none other than the photography editor of the *Pilot*—Tom Weber himself.

A Literary Month

The following authors were born in June: Elizabeth Bowen, 1899; Pearl Buck, 1892; Thomas Hardy, 1840; Gerard Manley Hopkins, 1844; James Weldon Johnson, 1871; John Masefield, 1878; Donald Culross Peattie, 1898; Edwin Way Teale, 1899; William Butler Yeats, 1865.

At last! At last!**• Cohnicle Chronicle •**

By Julie Cohn

On My Column

(with apologies to John Milton and Mr. Solovay)

When I consider how my nights are spent
And half my days in these dark halls so wide,
And that one talent, which I can't
abide,
Lodged with me useless, though it's
heaven-sent.
To serve there with my mentor, and
present
Eight hundred words, lest he, re-
turning, chide:
"Does Solovay demand such toil
from pride?"
I fondly ask. But Janet, to prevent
That murmur, soon replies, "He
does not need

Either your words or your own quips. Who laugh
At his mild jokes—they serve him best. His state
Is kingly; reporters at his bidding speed
To post their copy with the *Pilot* staff.
But for my words the printers stand and wait.

The Four Ages of Boy

When I was just a lowly frosh, my father said to me,
"If you work out and practice, son, a football star
you'll be;
A football hero, great and strong, a-charging through
the line."
But I weighed in at ninety pounds and just hit four-
feet-nine.

When I was just a sophomore, my mother said to me,
"If you can find a simple girl, how happy we would be."
And knowing all about the birds and all about the bees,
I now could date just any girl—who wasn't hard to
please.

When I was in my junior year, my brother said to me,
"If you can get four bucks a week, then you can lend
me three.
If we invest at 6% in stock like T. and T.,
With your four bucks and my three bucks we'll buy
an XKE."

When I was in my senior year, my sister said to me,
"If you could make the Ivy League, how happy I would
be.
If you would cram for your exam and promise not to
fail,
Then you could introduce me to a handsome male from
Yale."

I Remember

I remember, I remember
The school upon its stead,
The tower and the driveway
Where no student dared to tread;
The "argosies" and liners
As they passed us on their way,
And just how bored we were in class
When fog obscured the Bay.

I remember, I remember
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The homework passed around the class,
The answers that we shared;
The boosters staying after school
To pray for victory,
Until at last we won a game
By technicality.

I remember March 15,
The day prom bids were due;
The lovely trip to Washington
With Stony and the crew.
I remember, I remember
That we learned a lot:
But the harder I remember,
I remember I forgot!

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Track Star Leaming City Pole-Vault Champ

By Bob Morris

Up, up, up . . . and over. This has been the story of Dave Leaming's pole vaulting career at Fort Hamilton.

Dave, the backbone of the track team, has been the cindermen's big winner for the past two years. He is the current city champion in the pole vault event with a 12' 6" vault to his credit.

This personable athlete began his career by pole vaulting in a neighbor's yard in Nebraska. "My Dad is in the Army, which means traveling," he remarked; "but I consider Nebraska my home state."

Dave, a blond, crew-cut senior, is a fine all-round athlete. In addition to pole vaulting, he participates in the 440 and the broad jump.

Last year Dave placed first in the Brooklyn College meet and the PSAL Brooklyn Championships. This season he competed in a host of dual meets as well as the important Penn State Relays and the Englewood Meet.

Current City Champion

Although he is the current city champion, Dave, ironically, does not hold the school record for the pole vault. This record goes to John Moore, a 1960 graduate, who vaulted thirteen feet. "My goal for the outdoor season is to surpass Moore's thirteen-foot mark and establish a new school record," he said quietly.

Dave's prowess in pole vaulting may help him win an athletic scholarship to a college. He has already received several offers.

Likes to Paint

Painting is a favorite pastime of this likable senior. "I find it most relaxing," he remarked.

The iron horse of the track team, Dave has the potential to become a college star and may some day reach the Olympics. "I hope so," he said, "but at present I am busy preparing for graduation and college."

Freshman Wins Prize for Bowling

Leslie James, 1B6, was awarded first prize in the girls division of the New York City Junior Bowling Championship held at the Post Lanes in White Plains last month.

Leslie competed against the best girls from each borough between the ages of 14 and 15. Her average score during the tournament was 160. Now she is planning to compete at Niagara Falls for the state title.

Leslie practices twice a week at the Leemark Lanes on 88th Street. Though she has bowled for only five years, her high game is 236.

"With practice, I've come this far," said Leslie reflectively. "Maybe someday I might even make the national finals."

Track Team Has 2 Top Performers

This year's track team has two outstanding men in field events.

Dave Leaming placed third in the pole vault and Al Berardi second in the shot-put at the New Utrecht Spiked Shoe Meet May 4. Al lost first place by a quarter of an inch! About 2,300 boys competed.

"The team does well in field events, but has difficulty in the dual meets," said Coach Thomas McGrath. "We defeated New Utrecht, but lost to Erasmus and Tilden."

The trackmen have participated in many contests, among them the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, the Knights of Columbus meet on Staten Island, the Mount St. Michael meets, and the PSAL tournaments. In the last named, Dave Leaming was the defeating pole-vault champion.

"It's not too late to try out for next year's team," said Mr. McGrath. "Anyone who thinks he can run 100 yards in 13 seconds is urged to report."



Tom Weber
Dave Leaming displays fine form in a bit of pole-vaulting practice.

Girls Health Ed. Dep't Observes Kennedy Program

By Debbie Charney

To what extent has Fort Hamilton been affected by President Kennedy's physical fitness program? Are our students engaging in 50-mile hikes and other strenuous activity?

To check on the progress of our program, an interview with Miss Margaret C. Monsen, chairman of the Girls Health Education Department, was arranged.

Miss Monsen said that the Health Education Department is cooperating with President Kennedy's program by conforming to the test recommendations of the American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. These tests are:

1. Specified number of (a) sit-ups, (b) modified pull-ups.
2. Shuttle relay for coordination and speed.
3. Softball throw for distance.
4. 50-yard dash.
5. 600-yard walk-run for endurance.
6. Broad jump.

In response to the query concerning contemplated changes in gym classes and clubs, Miss Monsen said that as of May 7 a new gymnastic club was formed devoted to tumbling, uneven parallel bars, and related stunt work. She also would like to set up a class devoted to gymnastics, as well as one for Leaders' training.

Miss Monsen emphasized that everyone should participate in physical activity in addition to the gym activities. She recommended "daily walks, bicycle riding, outdoor play, and even house work."

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Sports Deck

By Bob Breuer

(Bob Breuer will be sports editor of the Pilot next fall, replacing graduating editor Howard Schneider.)

Almost every student at the Fort has seen the picture. What picture?

The one that has appeared in every issue of the Pilot in this column—the picture of Howie Schneider, sports editor of the Pilot.

Howie, an Arista member, has been on the paper for three years. "I have enjoyed it very much," he said, "and have also benefited from it because I have gained some valuable writing experience. And being on the Pilot has kept me abreast of school activities."

Plans Sports Page

Among his duties are planning the sports page for every issue, handing out assignments to reporters, and writing the Sports Deck. Asked what his biggest problem was, he replied with a grin, "Reporters who failed to meet the deadline!"

"Seriously, though," he added, "my problem is to present a complete and varied picture of school sports and to give the readers an inside view in the Sports Deck."

This popular, easy-going senior has been a member of the tennis team for three years and is the second singles player. "I find singles more exciting than doubles because it offers almost continuous action and concentration."

Howie likes folk music and plays the guitar. Books are another pastime and he is currently reading Richard Wright's *Native Son*. He is also interested in politics and world events and reads the Nation and the New Republic, two weekly news journals.

To Attend C.C.N.Y.

Howie will attend C.C.N.Y. next fall and plans to major in English or history. This summer he will work at a camp.

Although undecided about a career, this former Pershing Junior High School Arista leader seems headed for achievement. However, his current activities have been limited to helping the netmen and to preparing for graduation and college.

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Tennis Team Winds Up Season With 0-5 Loss

By Charlie Saydah

The tennis team, under the direction of Mr. Richard Kurtz, completed a mediocre season with a 0-5 loss to Madison.

Hampered by the late start of the practice sessions and the lack of a conveniently located home court, the team dropped five out of eight matches. Alexander Hamilton, Grady and Westinghouse were the only victims of the Blue and White netmen; the team fell to Erasmus, Sheepshead, Lafayette, Utrecht and Madison.

◆ This year's squad was led by Captain Mike Williams, first singles man. Howie Schneider and Bob Levine played second and third singles respectively. Jay Blau and Charlie Saydah at first doubles position and Mike Wallner and Ray Schaefer at second doubles position rounded out this season's starting team. Joe Gatto, Harold Nelson, Barry Poret, and Lee Brautman were ready to substitute.

Lack of Practice

Lack of practice was the main factor in the Erasmus and Lafayette defeats. Both games were lost by 1-4 scores.

In the Utrecht and Sheepshead losses a member of the starting team was absent, which contributed to the 2-3 and 1-4 set backs. The three wins were accomplished easily: Westinghouse was edged out 3-2 and Grady and Alexander Hamilton were both shut out.

Loss of Courts

Perhaps the main reason for the netmen's poor showing this season was the loss of Tom Delahunt's Tennis Courts to the City Planning Commission. This loss left the squad without convenient courts on which to play.

The team was forced to travel to courts at East 53 Street and Kings Highway for most of its matches and practices. This situation caused the delay in the start of the team's season.

Next year the court situation may be eased somewhat—at least the coach hopes something will be worked out.

GIRLS

are different today

According to a recent national survey by a leading teenage magazine, girls today are more socially poised, more alert to community and world affairs and more mature than their sisters of just a few years ago. Some specific facts from the survey: □ She has 2 goals ... career and husband. 8 out of 10 plan after school careers, but simultaneously are stockpiling hope chest items. She is a doer—helps with meal planning at home, heads committees, joins clubs, raises funds. She is a well-groomed, serious young adult whose manners and mores are copied by young people around the world.

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If you are the type of girl who

3 Win Language Prizes; Clubs Have Good Year

A senior, a junior and a sophomore were awarded winners in a city-wide contest sponsored by the *Société des Professeurs Français en Amérique* recently.

They are James Borrazas, 4B2; Patti Gallagher, 3B8, and Esther Metelski, 2A3.

The competition consisted of a written test, followed several weeks later by an oral test given only to those who had not been eliminated.

"Our score was perfect in this contest," said Mrs. Jeanette Hart, chairman of the Foreign Language Department. "The students achieved a record of which the entire school may well be proud."

Esther Metelski also received another award in the form of a medal at a meeting of the American Association of Teachers of French. Esther placed second in the national contest held by the Metropolitan Chapter of this organization.

"Our school is to be congratulated on its achievements in foreign languages," said Mrs. Hart. "It is particularly gratifying to find so many students interested in language club extracurricular activities as well as in the subject itself."

To wind up the year, all the language clubs dined out. The French Club had a gourmet repast, the Pan-American Club a delicious Spanish meal, and the Latin Club a Lucullan feast.

Joan Garner Wins In Poetry Contest

Joan Garner, 4A5, won a Fifth Prize in the 40th Annual New York City High School Poetry Contest. The contest, held May 7 at Washington Irving High School, was sponsored by the Board of Education.

Joan's poem, "Enigma," was one of the six prize-winners selected from contributions from more than forty city high schools. (See page 2.)

Miss Babette Deutsch, eminent critic, author and poet, was guest speaker. The judges were three distinguished contemporary poets.

Janet Yellen

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The Foreign Language Department is ending a successful year highlighted by many activities.

The three clubs—the Pan American (Miss Anita Coleman, adviser), *Le Cercle Français* (Mrs. Gertrude Berns, adviser), and the *Societ Romae* (Mrs. Lola Caesar, adviser)—expect next year to be even more successful.

The clubs participated in a striking program based on the theme "Around the World in Half an Hour." In this short time the students visited ancient Rome, a cafe in Paris, and a Mexican market place.

During Easter week members of the Pan American Club, guided by Miss Coleman, had lunch in a Spanish restaurant. Many students tasted Spanish food for the first time.

Students who are studying, or have studied, Latin, French or Spanish are invited to become active members of the three language clubs," said Mrs. Jeanette Hart, chairman of the Foreign Language Department.

She continued, "I urge all interested in languages to join these clubs. Students will surely enjoy cultural, social, and educational advantages through active participation in our three groups."

19 Give Service In Program Office

Nineteen students work in the Program Office, room 268, throughout the school day.

They comprise four seniors, five juniors, nine sophomores, and one freshman. Dennis Macksoud, 4B12, is the veteran, having been on the squad for four years.

The students keep tallies on class size and perform other clerical duties.

Some students even seek work in June after having been on the "belt." The belt is the system by which programs are made up under the supervision of the Program Committee—Mr. Alfred Joltin, chairman; Mr. Allen Felder and Miss Margaret Haigney.

Willing, responsible students, said Mr. Joltin, may apply in September for employment in the office.

"We can always use eager, intelligent, conscientious workers," said Mr. Joltin. "They can make themselves very useful to the school."

Lois Leewe

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Art Department To Present Awards

The Art Department will shortly present its annual awards to seniors who have taken major art.

Three medals are sponsored by the School Art League: the Alexander Medal, given at graduation; the St. Gaudens Medal, and the Youth's Friend Association Medal. In addition to these, the Art Chairmen's Association gives one certificate to an outstanding student.

Last month prizes in the Bay Ridge Art Exhibit were presented. Barbara Plum, 3A7, won a first in the painting division; Pamela Erickson, 1A13, a second; and Leslie Moore, 2C30, a third.

In the drawing division, Susan Holod, 2B8, won first prize; Suzanne Santoro, 3B2, second; and Robert Stillwell, third.

Typists Who Pound Out Pilot



Ramonita Rodriguez, Anne Breimoen, Jill Fellows, Carole Larsen, Barbara Agnetti. Absent: Gail Olsen, George Simonton.

40 Senior Girls Spend Weekend in Washington

By Mary Azzara

Forty senior girls returned home tired but happy from the weekend trip to Washington, May 3-5.

The sojourn began at 3 P.M. after school when the bus departed with the students. Chaperones Miss Ethelreda Furlong, Miss Janice Alberti, Mrs. Mary Westerberg and Miss Rita McCann accompanied the girls.

After a brief stop for dinner in Delaware, the bus arrived in Washington at 9:30. The girls checked into the Woodner Hotel where four students were assigned to each room. They still had enough time to take an evening sightseeing tour of the capital.

Visit Points of Interest

On Saturday the seniors left the hotel early on a nine-hour tour. They stopped at the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Capitol Building, National Archives Building, Iwo Jima Memorial, Arlington Cemetery, Washington Cathedral, Curtis Lee Mansion,

Haendler to Train For Leadership

Willy Haendler, 3B4, was selected to participate in a Leadership Training Program by the American Legion, Miss Rita Duhig, chairman of the Social Studies Department, announced.

Willy was elected by a panel of judges to represent this district in the program to be held at Colgate University at the end of June. All expenses will be paid.

At Colgate the boys will elect their own representatives and learn the principles basic to good government. They will also learn how to conduct meetings and make speeches.

Said Willy, "This is a most valuable experience for anyone. I am thrilled to be able to participate."

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Typists Receive Pins for Service

Students who render a year of outstanding service to the *Pilot* are awarded pins.

Seniors Anne Breimoen, Gail Olsen, Ramonita Rodriguez and George Simonton received them recently for their service as typists.

These students type up copy submitted by reporters and help make the material ready for the printer.

Barbara Agnetti and Carole Larsen, sophomore typists, will receive pins next year. Most of the other staff members eligible for *Pilot* pins received them last term.

Said Barbara, "I like working for the *Pilot*. It's very interesting and the work is helping me prepare for a future in the business world."

"The typists," said Mr. Jacob C. Solovay, adviser, "serve the paper and the school admirably. This term we have an exceptionally fine group of loyal workers."

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